

The L^2 geometry of the moduli space of vortices on the two-sphere in the dissolving limit

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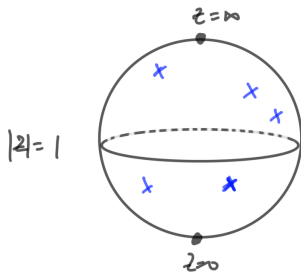
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Baptista-Manton conjecture: $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} g_\varepsilon = \text{Fubini-Study metric}$

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- ▶ Surprising? Massive gain in symmetry

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More precisely:

There exists $C > 0$ such that, for all $v \in TM_n$ and all $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$

$$|g_\varepsilon(v, v) - g_0(v, v)| \leq C\varepsilon g_0(v, v)$$

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Vortices are uniformly well approximated by pseudovortices
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